

Human Services Council Meeting
Monday, July 15, 2013
MEETING MINUTES

MEMBER NAME		MEMBER NAME	
Kevin H. Bell, Chair	<i>Present</i>	Robert Gaudian	<i>Present</i>
Colonel Marion Barnwell	<i>Present</i>	Rick Gonzalez	<i>Absent</i>
Dr. Jennifer Anne Bishop	<i>Absent</i>	Carol Ann Hawn	<i>Present</i>
Steven Bloom	<i>Absent</i>	Myra Herbert	<i>Excused</i>
Kenneth (Mark) Deal	<i>Excused</i>	William Kogler	<i>Present</i>
Jack Dobbyn	<i>Present</i>	Stephanie Mensh	<i>Present</i>
Robert L. Faherty	<i>Excused</i>	Kathleen Murphy	<i>Present</i>
Baba Freeman	<i>Present</i>	Dr. Gerald V. Poje	<i>Present</i>
		Henry Wulf	<i>Excused</i>
<u>Staff:</u>			
Brenda Gardiner, Department of Administration for Human Services (DAHS)			<i>Present</i>
Ronald McDevitt, Department of Administration for Human Services (DAHS)			<i>Present</i>

Other staff present: Rosalyn Foroobar, Michelle Gregory

7:45 p.m. - Nominating Committee Report - Members of the Nominating Committee reported on results of establishing a slate for officer elections. Members included "Barney" Barnwell, Stephanie Mensh and Bill Kogler. Committee Chairman Barnwell reviewed the procedures for election of officers. Officers shall be elected for one (1) year terms by a simple majority of the Council members. Officers shall be elected by the Council at the first regular meeting after July 1st of each year and shall take office immediately. The slate from the Nominating Committee was presented for Council approval. Chair Barnwell moved approval of the nominating committee report; Kathleen Murphy seconded motion. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Barnwell presided over officer elections and provided instructions to Council members. Motion for approval of the proposed procedures was made by Baba Freeman, seconded by Jack Dobbyn. Motion carried unanimously. The floor was opened for additional nominations. No additional nominations were offered from the floor. A motion to accept the nominations and slate of officers was moved by Jerry Poje, seconded by Kathleen Murphy. Motion carried unanimously. Chairman Barnwell provided instructions for nominated candidates to speak. Kevin Bell and Bill Kogler declined to speak; Jerry Poje expressed appreciation and thanks to Carol Hawn for her service as vice-chair over the past year. Upon completion, election of officers was held; Council members elected Kevin Bell as Chair and Jerry Poje as vice-chair.

Chairman Bell thanked the members of the nominating committee for their service in managing the elections process. Chairman Bell indicated that members Stephanie Mensh would continue to serve in CCFAC capacity, with Carol Hawn presiding over By-Laws Committee, Bob Gaudian as Outreach and Education chair, Steve Bloom as Budget Committee chair and Kathleen Murphy as Policy Committee co-chair. A replacement for Jerry Poje as co-chair of policy committee will be sought.

New business – Carryover Budget Review - Members requested information regarding the year-end budget surpluses noted for the county and public schools and the implications for the carryover budget review. The Board of Supervisors will receive information at the July 30, 2013 Board meeting, with advertisement of action expected on September 10, 2013. The HSC Budget Committee was requested to convene to review the County Executive's package and provide the full Council with feedback in preparation for possible recommendations to the Board on human services related budget implications. Staff was requested to provide information on the impact of the budget adjustments and impact of the BOS decision to reduce by one penny the County Executive's proposed real estate tax rate in the FY 2014

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Advertised Budget Plan. Deputy County Executive Harrison was requested to provide information at the Council's September meeting. Specifically, members are interested in determining what impacts the continued cumulative reductions in federal/state and local funding for human services programs has had/is having on current services levels.

Staff was requested to provide an update on the impact of federal sequestration on local human services programs/services. (*note: see attached County July 2013 update*).

Legislative initiatives – Staff provided handouts of several upcoming information opportunities, including the 50+ forums and an upcoming gubernatorial candidate forum in Richmond. The County's newly appointed legislative Director, Claudia Arko, will be introduced at a future Council meeting. Council members discussed the past year's Human Services White Paper and noted several areas that will continue to be emphasized in the County's positions, including the board's position on expansion of Medicaid in Virginia to working adults. The Long Term Care Coordinating Committee is raising a concern regarding community based waiver services in the Commonwealth. Carol Hawn requested additional information regarding funding provided by the state in support of the Infant Toddler Connection program, in anticipation of continued need to advocate for additional state resources in support of the program.

CCFAC restructuring – Carol Hawn and Stephanie Menseh provided updates on the current Consolidated Community Funding Pool processes and progress of the oversight advisory committee. A full report will be provided in early fall 2013. The application process for the upcoming Request for Proposals is being slightly modified, with recommendations for priority setting procedural changes to occur for the next funding cycle. Recommendations include seeking input through Human Services Council community dialogue sessions on ways to further define use of the CCFP funds.

Approval of meeting minutes: Chairman Bell asked for a motion to approve June 17, 2013 meeting minutes; upon motion by Stephanie Menseh, seconded by Kathleen Murphy, motion carried.

Announcements – The upcoming meeting of Human Services Committee of the Board of Supervisors was announced – 1 p.m. July 16, 2013 in the County's Government Center Conference rooms 9 and 10. Council members are invited to attend. A presentation on the report from the Synthetic Turf Field Task Force, and information on the child care fee scale policies were on the agenda. Staff from the Long-Term Care Coordinating Committee will present information on community-based waiver services to persons with disabilities.

Staff announced the next meeting for the Council is Monday, September 16, 2013.

Executive Committee: Thursday, September 12, 2013

Adjournment – Jack Dobbyn moved to adjourn, seconded by Kathleen Murphy. Motion carried. Council adjourned at 9:20 p.m.